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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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Ichiro OKUMURA, et al.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Application No.: Unassigned	)	
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Filed: March 18, 2004	)	
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For: MANIPULATOR HAVING ARM	)	March 18, 2004
MECHANISM FOR HAND	:	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

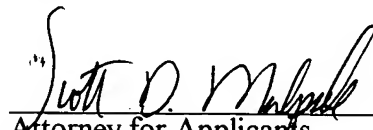
REMARKS

For the Examiner's information, the enclosed Japanese document is discussed in the Background of the Invention section of the specification.

Applicants request that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Scott D. Malpede", is written over a horizontal line.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
*EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
	<b>5,114,300</b>	<b>5/19/1992</b>	<b>Shahinpoor, et al.</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>729</b>		
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	<b>7-256575</b>	<b>10/9/1995</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abst.</b>	

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)	

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